Public Notice – Environmental Project

PURPOSE OF NOTICE:

The Department of Environmental Quality seeks public comment on the state's response to the environmental aspects of a proposed project in Prince George County, Virginia.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:

February 19, 2010 to March 11, 2010

TYPE OF RESPONSE:

Federal Consistency Determination

DEQ is reviewing a federal action to determine if it is consistent with the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program (VCP) established pursuant to the U.S. Coastal Zone Management Act. The VCP seeks to protect the quality of air, water or other natural resources in Virginia's coastal area.

NAME OF AGENCY PROPOSING THE PROJECT:

DOD/Department of the Army

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The Department of the Army submitted a federal consistency determination (FCD) for the construction of a qualifications training range at Fort Lee in Prince George County. This project includes the redevelopment of the existing modified record fire range. The existing 14 firing lanes would remain. However, the target area would be extended 550 meters, and existing support facilities would either be replaced or expanded. New facilities would be constructed in previously cleared areas. The extended target area covers approximately 50 acres of land, including 5 acres of wetlands; however, forest cover on only a portion of these areas would be affected. The FCD finds the proposed project to be consistent to the maximum extent practicable with the enforceable policies of the Virginia Coastal Zone Management Program.

HOW TO COMMENT:

DEQ accepts comments from the public by e-mail, fax or postal mail. All comments must include the name, address and telephone number of the person commenting and be received by DEQ within the comment period. The public may review the project documents at DEQ's central office in Richmond.

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